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Introductory

IN issuing this, our first catalogue for general distribution, we will be brought to the attention of many who have never heard of us before. To these, we will say we have been doing business in McLean county for the past twenty-five years, and have been engaged in the growing and retailing of cut flowers, seeds, plants, bulbs, etc., for the past eight years.

Our efforts have been rewarded by a rapidly increasing trade. We have enlarged our greenhouse plant from time to time, and with our commodious store room, we have one of the most complete establishments for our line of business in the state.

When in Bloomington we should be glad to have you call and see us, and can assure you most courteous treatment.

Our terms are cash with order. Remittance by postal or express money order, or bank draft, preferred. Stamps of two-cent denomination accepted for small amounts.

We exercise great care in having our seeds, bulbs, plants, etc., true and reliable, but give no guarantee, as so many conditions other than the quality of the seeds or bulbs enter into the successful growing of a crop.

We respectfully solicit a share of your patronage.

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Bulbs

General Instructions for Outdoor Planting of Hardy Bulbs

MOST of the hardy bulbs found in the flower and seed stores during the fall months are grown in Holland, where the soil and climate are peculiarly adapted to the growing of the bulbs. These bulbs are shipped to this country during the month of August, arriving here in September, and to insure the best results should be planted as soon as possible. While any time before the ground freezes would do to plant the bulbs, the best results can only be obtained by early planting which gives the bulbs time to make their root growth before cold weather sets in. Planting such bulbs as hyacinths, tulips, daffodils, etc., in the spring is a waste of time and money.

Solidly formed bulbs, such as hyacinths and tulips, will keep out of the soil much longer than loosely formed bulbs, such as lilies, which soon wilt and lose their vitality. If lily bulbs are to be kept out of the soil they should be wrapped separately in paper to keep the air away. Any soil of good quality will do for a bulb bed, provided it is well drained. Bulbs are liable to decay when planted in soil that is kept saturated with moisture.

When the ground freezes in the fall a covering of litter or leaves should be spread over the bed to a depth of five or six inches. This does not prevent the bulbs from freezing, but from freezing and thawing whenever the weather changes, which is the cause of more or less damage to the bulbs. Care must be taken in the spring to remove the litter before the bulbs grow up through, otherwise a weak, spindling growth would result.

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Indoor Culture of Dutch Bulbs

When the bulbs are received in the fall they should be potted at once. An opportunity must then be given the bulbs to make a root growth in advance of the tops.

This is done by placing the pots outside, giving a thorough watering, and covering over with a few inches of soil. If the weather remains dry the bulbs should be watered about every ten days. As the season advances more covering must be given, as very hard freezing would damage the bulbs to a certain extent.

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The same results, as to root growth, can be obtained by putting the potted bulbs in a dark, cool cellar, but more attention must be given to the watering, as they dry out much more quickly. The latter way has the advantage of having the bulbs where they can be gotten at much more easily when they are wanted for forcing.

Some bulbs, such as Roman hyacinths and paper white narcissus, form their roots in a much shorter time than others, but *all bulbs to be forced successfully must be well rooted*, and if attention is paid to this fact one of the main causes of failure will be removed. When bringing the bulbs in to force do not put at once in a high temperature, but start at rather a low temperature, say 50 to 55 degrees, and increase the heat gradually.

Roman hyacinths and paper white narcissus are forced in larger quantities by florists of the country than any other two varieties of bulbs. These can be had in bloom during December, and from that time on until spring. Dutch hyacinths, daffodils, tulips, jonquils, etc., will not force successfully so early in the season and will be more satisfactory if not brought in until after the first of January.

Dutch Hyacinths

The hyacinth is one of the most interesting of the bulb family, and is grown in such large quantities that it is familiar to every one. The Dutch variety of hyacinths are entirely hardy and are suitable for either forcing or outdoor planting. If for outdoors, plant the bulbs three or four inches below the top of the ground, and six to eight inches apart. In forcing, a four-inch pot is large enough for a medium size bulb, and a five-inch pot for the largest size. Three bulbs planted in a five or six-inch pot or pan is a good way to try a few of them.

We sell the same quality of bulbs that we use ourselves.

First Size Hyacinths

These are our best bulbs and can be depended on to produce fine flowers with ordinary care. The single varieties are more satisfactory for forcing.

Single Varieties.—Gertrude, deep rose; Czar Peter, light blue; Herman, yellow; Gigantea, light pink; King of the Blues, deep blue; L'Innocence, white; Moreno, pink; La Grandesse, white.

Double Varieties.—Grootvorst, blush pink; La Tour d'Auvergne, pure white; Bouquet Tendre, deep red; Bloksberg, light blue.

Price of above hyacinths 10 cents each, $1 per dozen, $7 per 100. If wanted by mail add 15 cents per dozen for postage. Price of single bulbs includes postage.

Bedding or Forcing Hyacinths

These bulbs we especially recommend for outdoor planting. They will not produce as large spikes of bloom as first size bulbs when forced.

Single Varieties.—Mixed shades of red, blue, white, pink, yellow, and light blue.

Double Varieties.—Mixed shades of red, pink, blue, and white.

Price of any of above, 8c each, 75c per doz., $5.00 per 100. If wanted by mail add 12c per dozen for postage. Price of single bulbs includes postage.

Miniature Hyacinths

These are forcing varieties, but are also suitable for outside planting. They will not produce as large spikes as first size bulbs and are more effective if planted three or four in a pot when forcing. We force large quantities of this grade for cut flowers.

Single white, pink, and blue.

Price 5c each, 50c per dozen, $3.75 per 100. If wanted by mail add 8c per dozen for postage. Price for single bulbs includes postage.

A succession of Flowers from December to April, can be had for a small investment in bulbs

Roman Hyacinths

These are among the finest varieties of hyacinths, each bulb producing three or four spikes of fragrant flowers. These can be had in bloom much earlier than the

Dutch varieties and are of the easiest culture. The white Romans will flower a little earlier than the blue varieties. It is much to be regretted that the Roman hyacinths are not hardy in this climate.

We have only first size bulbs and sell them at the following prices: White Romans, 5c each, 50c per dozen, $3.50 per 100; blue Romans, 5c each, 50c per dozen, $3.50 per 100. If wanted by mail add 7c per dozen for postage. Price of single bulbs includes postage.

Tulips

Second only to the hyacinth comes the tulip for either forcing or outdoor planting. They are shipped to this country by the millions and bring good cheer to thousands of homes with their brilliant colors. Planted in beds of good soil, five to six inches apart and nearly as deep, they are almost sure to do well, and money spent for tulip bulbs will never be regretted if they are given a reasonable amount of care. In forcing care must be taken not to force them too early. The fore part of January is early enough for most varieties to be started into growth, and the flowers will come better and surer than if started earlier in the season.

Named Varieties

These are our best bulbs and we recommend them for forcing and for bedding out where quality is considered.

Yellow Prince, single, yellow, 4 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.60 per 100.

Coleur de Cardinal, single, red, 4 cents each, 40 cents per dozen, $2.75 per 100.

La Reine, single, white, 3 cents each, 25 cents per dozen, $1.50 per 100.

Keiser Kroon, single, red with yellow edge, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.60 per 100.

Mon Tresor, single, yellow, 4 cents each, 35 cents per dozen, $2.50 per 100.

Belle Alliance, single, scarlet, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.70 per 100.

Cottage Maid, single, rose and white, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.60 per 100.

If you are not familiar with a variety of bulbs, try just a few of them rather than a quantity.

Tournesoll, double, red and yellow, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.75 per 100.

Murillo, double, pink, 4 cents each, 40 cents per dozen, $3.00 per 100.

If wanted by mail add 6 cents per dozen for postage. Price of single bulbs includes postage.

Bedding Tulips

These we can recommend for planting out where no set design is wanted. They are all good, sound bulbs, and are sure to give satisfaction. We do not recommend them for forcing.

Single Tulips.—Red, red and yellow, white, yellow, violet, and pink.

Double Tulips.—Yellow, white, violet, pink, red and yellow, red.

Price of above, either single or double, 20 cents per dozen, 3 dozen for 50 cents, $1 per 100. If wanted by mail add 5 cents per dozen for postage.

Late, or May-Flowering Tulips

These are for outdoor planting only. Blooming the latter part of May, they prolong the tulip season two or three weeks. Produced on stems from 18 to 24 inches long, they are particularly good for cutting. Their lasting qualities when cut are excellent.

Gesneriana, rich crimson, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.75 per 100; Golden Gem, yellow, 3 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.50 per 100.

If wanted by mail add 6 cents per dozen for postage.

Parrot Tulips

These should be found in every garden, as the colors are very brilliant and the deeply cut or fringed petals add much to their attractiveness. Plant where they can be left for at least two years, as they generally bloom better the second season.

Early ordering is an advantage to both our patrons and ourselves

Mixed colors, 3 cents each, 25 cents per dozen, $1.50 per 100. If wanted by mail add 5 cents per dozen for postage.

The narcissus family contains some of the most useful varieties of bulbs for both forcing and outdoor planting. They are perfectly hardy, with the exception of the polyanthus varieties, such as the paper white, and Chinese sacred lilies. There is no variety of bulbs that are more easily cared for than the narcissus and none that will give greater returns for the money invested.

In forcing, the paper white narcissus and Chinese lilies can be had in bloom in December. Such varieties as Von Sion, Princeps, Poeticus, Campernelle, etc., will be more satisfactory if they are not forced until after the holidays.

Paper White Grandiflora.—This grand variety of the narcissus is forced in larger numbers by the florists than any other variety and is well worthy of its leadership. Blooming early and late, either in soil or water, one can hardly help but be successful in its culture.

First size bulbs only, 4 cents each, 30 cents per dozen, $1.75 per 100.

Von Sion.—This is second only to the paper white in importance, and during the months of February, March, and April brighten all florist stores with their beautiful double yellow flowers. They are equally good for bedding out, being perfectly hardy.

Strong bulbs 4 cents each, 35 cents per dozen, $2.50 per 100.

Orange Phoenix.—Double, light yellow with orange center. Four cents each, 35 cents per dozen, $2.25 per 100.

Sulphur Phoenix.—Creamy white with pale yellow center; one of the best of the double varieties. Ten cents each, $1.00 per dozen, $7.00 per 100.

Princeps.—Single, light yellow. Three cents each, 20 cents per dozen, $1.25 per 100.

Sir Watkin.—Single, light yellow. Six cents each, 60 cents per dozen, $4.25 per 100.

Maximus.—Single, deep yellow. Eight cents each, 70 cents per dozen, $5.00 per 100.

If wanted by mail add 10 cents per dozen to any of the above varieties for postage. Price of single bulb includes postage.

Golden Spur.—Single, golden yellow. Five cents each, 50 cents per dozen, $3.50 per 100.

If you are not familiar with a variety of bulbs, try just a few of them rather than a quantity.

If wanted by mail add 16 cents per dozen for postage. Price of single bulbs includes postage.

Campernelle (Jonquils).—Single, bright yellow, very fragrant. Three cents each, 20 cents per dozen, $1.00 per 100.

If wanted by mail add 7 cents per dozen for postage.

Poeticus Ornatus.—Single, white with crimson cup. This is the narcissus of poetry and well deserves its popularity. Three cents each, 20 cents per dozen, $1.00 per 100.

If wanted by mail add 5 cents per dozen for postage.

Chinese Sacred Lilies.—This is the sacred narcissus of the Chinese and is considered a symbol of good luck if had in bloom at the New Year. These bulbs are much larger than any other of the narcissus and bear white and yellow flowers of great fragrance. While they can be grown in dirt the same as any other narcissus, they are usually grown in water as the Chinese do. This is a novel way of growing them and increases their attractiveness. First size bulbs only 10 cents each, 3 for 25 cents, $1.00 per dozen.

If wanted by mail add 3 cents each for postage.

Miscellaneous Bulbs

If wanted by mail add 2 cents per dozen, 5 cents per 100 for bulbs under this heading except where otherwise noted.

Allium Neapolitanum.—The best of the alliums, suitable for either forcing or outside planting. The single white flowers borne in clusters are very pretty. Twenty cents per dozen.

Anemones.—These are not entirely hardy in this climate but the bulbs keep well out of soil and can be planted early in the spring. The blooms come in a variety of colors and are most effective if planted in masses. Single, mixed, 15 cents per dozen, $1.00 per 100; double mixed, 25 cents per dozen, $1.50 per 100.

A succession of Flowers from December to April, can be had for a small investment in bulbs

Calla Lily.—White, strong bulbs. Fifteen cents each, 2 for 25 cents, $1.50 per dozen. If wanted by mail add 1 cent each for postage.

Crocus.—These are among the earliest of the bulbs to bloom in the spring, quite often blooming in sheltered places before the snow has disappeared. If for an edging for a bed, plant about two inches deep and two or three inches apart. They are also very pretty planted on the lawn. White, blue, striped, or yellow, 10 cents per dozen, 3 dozen for 25 cents, 50 cents per 100.

If wanted by mail add 3 cents per dozen, 18 cents per 100 for postage.

Freesia refracta alba.—One of the most popular of our winter bulbs, and where once grown will always be included in future bulb orders. Producing yellow or white flowers with a most pleasing fragrance, they make friends everywhere. Unlike most other bulbs, they do not need to be put away in the dark but can be started into growth as soon as planted. They are not hardy in this climate. First class bulbs, 3 cents each, 25 cents per dozen, $1.25 per 100.

Glory of the Snow.—(**Chionodoxa Lucillae**). A small hardy bulb, producing flowers of a beautiful shade of blue which shade to a white in the center.

Twenty cents per dozen, $1.25 per 100.

Iris, Spanish.—These flowers rival the orchids in their rich colorings, and are of the easiest culture both indoors and out. Plant in beds four or five inches apart and two or three inches deep. When forcing, do not bring into heat until the latter part of February or fore part of March.

Mixed colors 10 cents per dozen, 50 cents per hundred.

Ixias.—A very desirable bulb from the cape of Good Hope. They are not hardy in this climate, but can be forced quite successfully by keeping in a low temperature.

Mixed colors 10 cents per dozen, 75 cents per 100.

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Lilies

This is one of the largest and most important of the bulb family. Producing flowers in quite a range of color, containing varieties both hardy and tender, and blooming in all months of the year, it certainly deserves a place at the head of the list.

We sell the same quality of bulbs that we use ourselves.

Auratum, Golden Banded Lily of Japan.—A large flowering variety producing white flowers dotted with reddish brown spots and having a yellow stripe down the center of each petal. Perfectly hardy.

Extra large bulbs 15 cents, 2 for 25 cents, $1.50 per dozen. When wanted by mail add 3 cents each for postage.

Candidum, White.—One of the most popular of the smaller flowering varieties, hardy, and having the most pleasing fragrance of any of the lilies.

Strong bulbs 10 cents each, 3 for 25 cents, $1 per dozen. When wanted by mail add 2 cents each for postage.

Lancifolium Album, white.—Suitable for forcing or outside planting.

Lancifolium Rubrum.—White flowers dotted with bright red spots. Both varieties of lancifolium lilies are very desirable.

Ten cents each, 3 for 25c, $1 per dozen. If wanted by mail add 2c each for postage.

Longiflorum.—This variety has largely taken the place of Lilium Harrisii (the true Easter Lily), which in the last few years has been so badly affected with the lily disease. Many florists have grown the longiflorum variety exclusively, and while it takes from two to three weeks longer to force, the latter variety is much surer of producing perfect flowers. The varieties are so near alike in the habit of growth and flower that only those thoroughly posted can tell the difference. We have strong bulbs (such as we force ourselves) to offer at the following prices :

Fifteen cents each, 2 for 25 cents, $1.25 per dozen. Extra large, 20 cents each, 3 for 50 cents, $1.75 per dozen. If wanted by mail add 2 cents each for postage.

Auratum and Lancifolium Lilies ready the fore part of November. Other varieties ready now

Oxalis

These are very attractive house plants, either potted or in hanging baskets, and bloom profusely during the winter months.

Yellow, 3 for 5 cents, 20 cents per dozen; Boweii, Red, 3 for 5 cents, 20 cents per dozen; Bermuda Buttercup, 2 for 5 cents, 25 cents per dozen. We have extra large bulbs of the last two varieties.

Ranunculus

Very attractive dwarf flowering bulbs. Treat same as Anemones.
Mixed colors, 3 for 5 cents, 15 cents per dozen.

Scilla Siberica

A small bulb producing bright blue flowers. Very pretty and perfectly hardy.
Two for 5 cents, 20 cents per dozen, $1.25 per 100.

Snowdrop Elwesii

A very early flowering bulb producing small white flowers and deserving of a place in every garden. One of the best ways to plant them is in groups in the lawn.
Three for 5 cents, 15 cents per dozen, $1 per 100.

Plants

Araucaria Excelsa—Norfolk Island Pine

THIS beautiful evergreen is one of our most desirable house plants. It is a native of Norfolk Island and will live out over winter in that latitude. Small plants are very ornamental on account of their symmetrical growth and deep green foliage. They will thrive under ordinary house culture and are singularly free from insect pests.

Five-inch pot 4 to 5 tiers, $1.25 to $1.75 each; 6-inch pot, 5 to 6 tiers, $2.00 to $2.50 each,

Asparagus Plumosus Nanus

A climbing Asparagus that will, under favorable conditions, attain a height of 20 to 30 feet. Grown as a bush plant it is especially desirable, succeeding under most conditions which would be fatal to a less hardy plant. It is used largely by florists in decorating, as it has excellent lasting qualities when cut.

Two and a half and 3-inch pots, 15 cents each; 5-inch pots 50 cents each.

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Ferns

Boston Ferns.—We have an unusually fine lot of the Boston fern, (Nephrolepis Bostoniensis) this season. This variety has undoubtedly had a greater sale and given better satisfaction than any fern sent out in recent years. The long wide fronds of drooping habit make it a beautiful plant, and this, coupled with the fact that it is very hardy, make it one of the best of house plants. Three-inch pots, 15 cents each; 4-inch, 25 to 35 cents; 5-inch, 50 to 75 cents; 6-inch, 75 cents to $1.00; 7-inch, $1.00 to $1.50; 8-inch, $1.50 to $2.00. We have a few Boston ferns in 14-inch wire hanging baskets, fine specimen plants at $3.00 each.

Ferns for Ferneries.—Low dishes filled with small growing ferns make an excellent table ornament and are used in large numbers. We have several hundred of these little ferns in 2½-inch pots in the following variety: Aspidium Tensimense, Pteris Argyrea, Pteris Cretica Magnifica, Pteris Wimsetti, Pteris Cretica Albo-lineata, Pteris Ouvrardi, Cyrtomium Falcatum, Onchium Japonicum. Fifteen cents each, 2 for 25 cents, $1.50 per dozen. It wanted by mail add 3 cents each for postage.

Small plants of Asparagus plumosus nanus go nicely with these ferns in filling dishes. A cocos palm for a center plant and five small ferns will fill a six or seven-inch fern dish well. These six plants packed to go safely by express, $1.00.

Japanese Fern Balls.—This is one of the best novelties of recent introduction. The balls are made by wrapping the rhizomes of Davallia Balluta around a ball of moss. An occasional dipping in water is all that is needed to keep the ferns in a growing condition.

Large size 75 cents each.

Palms

Our plants are well grown and must not be compared with plants sent out in cheap collections.

There is an almost endless variety of the palm family, and it contains some kinds that are invaluable for house plants. We list some of the more desirable varieties which we can recommend as house plants. (Measurements of palms are from top of pot to top of tallest leaf in its natural position.)

Cocos Weddeliana.—A dwarf growing, fine leaf variety especially adapted to filling fern dishes.

In 3½-inch pots 8 to 12 inches high, 35 cents each.

Kentia Balmoreana.—This is one of the best of the narrow leaf palms and is sure to give satisfaction under ordinary house culture.

Four-inch pots, 4 leaves, 15 to 18 inches high, 75 cents each; 5-inch pots, 5 leaves, 18 to 20 inches high, $1.25 each; 6-inch pots, 6 leaves, 24 inches high, $1.50 each, large plants $2.00 to $5.00 each; made up plants, 3 and 4 plants in a 5-inch pot, 12 to 15 leaves, 24 inches high, $2.00 each. These make much more bushy plants than plants potted singly.

Latania Borbonica (Fan Palm).—Five and six-inch plants, 5 to 8 leaves, 20 to 24 inches high, $1.25 to $1.75 each.

Sago Palm (Cycas Revoluta).—The dark glossy foliage of this variety adds much to its attractiveness. Good healthy plants with 4 to 15 leaves, $1.50 to $5.00 each.

Pandanus Veitchii

A beautiful plant with light green leaves marked with white stripes. Where a nice foliage plant is wanted these are hard to excel.

Six-inch pots, 20 to 25 leaves, $2.50 to $3.00 each.

Rubber Plants

Ficus Elastica.—These well known plants are especially adapted to house culture.

Eighteen to 24 inches high, $1.25 to $1.50 each; 28 to 30 inches high, $1.75 to $2.00 each; 36 to 40 inches high, $2.50 each.

Umbrella Plants

Cyperus Alternifolius.—An excellent house plant of rapid growth. They also make one of the best plants for aquariums.

Two-inch pots, 10 cents each; 3½-inch pots, 25 cents each; 5-inch pots, 50 cents each.

Unless otherwise noted plants must be sent by express.

Azaleas

These are without exception the most beautiful winter blooming plants we have. Of very bushy growth, they resemble miniature trees and when in bloom are one mass of flowers, often hiding the foliage completely. If given plenty of water and kept in a cool room they will stay in bloom for a month. The plants can be kept over for two or three seasons by planting pot and all outdoors, but they must not suffer from the lack of moisture if the best results are desired. Fine plants in the standard varieties. White, red, pink, and variegated.

Fourteen to 16 inches in diameter, $1.75 to $2.00 each; 18 to 20 inches in diameter, $2.50 to $3.00 each.

Chrysanthemums

We have the finest lot of chrysanthemums this season we have ever had and offer extra good, disbudded plants, in seven-inch pots, in the following varieties at 75 cents to $1 each, packed ready for shipment.

White—Midge, Ivory, Kate Brown, L. Canning, Mrs. Jerome Jones.

Yellow—Golden Trophy, W. H. Lincoln, E. G. Hill, Robt. Halliday, H. L. Sunderbruch.

Pink—J. K. Shaw, Maud Dean.

Red—The Bard.

Rooted cuttings and small plants of chrysanthemums for sale during the spring months.

Coleus

Coleus in good variety, 2½-inch pots, 5 cents each, 50 cents per dozen.

Geraniums

Our plants are well grown and must not be compared with plants sent out in cheap collections

Two and one-half-inch pots, ready October 20, 10 cents each, $1 per dozen, in following variety. These varieties cannot be recommended too highly.

Single.—L'Aube, white; Universe, scarlet; Mrs. E. G. Hill, salmon; Granville, dark pink; Daybreak, light pink; Mad. Bruant, red or pink, shading to white in center.

Double.—LaFavorite, white; Jean Viaud, pink; S. A. Nutt, dark red; Gen. Grant, bright red; Marquis de Montmort, carmine purple; Dr. Jacoby, pink; Frances Perkins bright pink; Mary Gearing, bright pink.

Rose Geraniums.—Skeleton, hard, and soft leaf varieties.

Out of 2½-inch pots 10 cents each, $1 per dozen.

Pelargonium Victor.—A beautiful variety. Ten cents each, $1 per dozen.

Primroses

Chinese Primroses.—Assorted colors; fine plants; 5-inch pots, 35 cents each.

Baby Primroses.—Light pink; a variety of primrose almost continually in bloom. Strong plants, 4 and 5-inch pots, 35 cents each.

Cut Flowers

THE growing and retailing of cutflowers and plants is our main line of business. Our store is one of the largest and most complete in this part of the state. We have sixteen greenhouses (about 35,000 square feet of glass) devoted to this line of work. Three of our largest houses are given to growing carnations for cut blooms, two to roses, and the balance to growing a general line of plants, both flowering and foliage. bulbs, etc., and the thousand and one other varieties which go to make up a complete stock. Following is a list of the cutflowers we have in stock in their season with prices.

Roses.—Bridesmaid, dark pink; Golden Gate, light pink; Bride, white; Meteor, dark red; Ivory, white; Perle, yellow, November to April except Christmas and Easter $1.00 to $1.25 per dozen; Christmas, New Years and Easter, $1.50 to $2.00 per dozen; April to October, 75 cents to $1.25.

Carnations.—White, red, pink, etc., November to April except Christmas and Easter, 50 to 60 cents per dozen; Christmas, New Years and Easter, 60 cents to $1.00 per dozen; April to October, 40 to 50 cents per dozen.

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New and fancy varieties, November to April except Christmas and Easter, 60 to 75 cents per dozen; Christmas, New Years and Easter, $1.00 to $1.25.

Violets.—Single, October to April (except holiday time and Easter), 35 cents per bunch of 25; holidays and Easter, 50 cents per bunch of 25.

Lily of the Valley.—Fifty cents to $1.00 per dozen. These can be had almost any time of the year on two or three days' notice.

Calla Lilies.—December to May, $2.50 per dozen.

Easter Lilies.—January to May, $2.50 per dozen.

Daffodils.—Double yellow, February to April, 75 cents per dozen.

Narcissus.—White, November to March, 75 cents per dozen.

Roman Hyacinths.—White, November to April, 50 to 60 cents per dozen.

Tulips.—February to April, 75 cents per dozen.

Dutch Hyacinths.—February to April, 75 cents per dozen.

Chrysanthemums.—October to November, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 per dozen.

Smilax.—Strings 5 to 6 feet long, 35 cents each, $3.00 per dozen.

Maidenhair Fern.—Twenty-five cents per dozen.

Hardy Ferns.—Ten cents per dozen.

Asparagus Plumosus.—15, 25 and 35 cents per dozen sprays.

One of our specialties is putting up funeral work. We have a large assortment of the various emblems and the knowledge and experience necessary to put them up in an artistic manner.

Being centrally located, with excellent railroad facilities (four railroads, two having branches), and growing our own flowers, we are especially well fitted for filling shipping orders on short notice. We pack flowers free of charge so they can be shipped in the coldest weather without danger of freezing.

We receive orders daily by mail, telegraph and telephone from the surrounding country, and our rapidly increasing business bears testimony to the satisfactory way in which we supply the trade.

We test all vegetable and flower seeds before sending them out.

Gold Fish

THESE make one of the most pleasing ornaments to be had in a home. Interesting alike to both old and young, requiring very little care, and almost no expense to keep it is small wonder they are increasing so rapidly in popularity. We have a complete line of fish, globes, ornaments, food, shells, gravel, etc., at reasonable rates.

Gold Fish.—Two to 2½ inches long, 15 cents each, $1.50 per dozen; 2½ to 3½ inches long, 25 cents each, $2.50 per dozen; 4 inches and over 35 cents each, $3.50 per dozen.

Tadpoles.—Very large, 10 cents each, 3 for 25 cents.

Half dozen gold fish of one size supplied at dozen rates.

Pails for shipping 12 fish or less, 15 cents each.

Our fish are known as Japanese Variegated, and come in varying shades of red and gold, some being beautifully marked with black and white.

Globes, flat bottom.—Eight-inches, capacity 5 quarts, 60 cents each; 9-inches, capacity 7 quarts, 75 cents each; 10 inches, capacity 9 quarts, 85 cents each; 12 inches, capacity 14 quarts, $1 each.

Globes, on foot.—Capacity 9 quarts, $2 each; capacity 12 quarts, $2.50 each.

Aquariums.—Round, all glass, capacity 25 quarts, $2.25 each. This style tank is admired by all and is very durable, being made of heavy glass, and are not easily broken.

Ideal Square Aquarium.—Iron corners, very strong; 10½ inches wide, 18 inches long, 12 inches deep, capacity 9 gallons, $7 each.

Ornaments.—We have a good line of these ornaments, including castles, ruins, grottoes, arches, towers, etc., ranging in price from 10 cents to $1 each.

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Floating Ornaments.—Sea-gulls, ducks, swans, single and in groups of three or four, at 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 cents.

Pebbles.—Large size, 5 cents per pint; small, 10 cents per pint.

Shells.—Small, 15 cents per pint.

Conch Shells.—15 cents each.

Rubber Tubing for syphoning water out of globes without lifting aquarium or disturbing arrangement of same, 30 cents.

Nets for catching fish, 18 inch handle, 25 cents each.

Fish Food, 10 cents per box.

Aquaria Plants, 10 cents per bunch.

If fish food or aquaria plants are wanted by mail, add 3 cents per package or bunch for postage. Globes, ornaments, pebbles, etc., must be sent by express. No charge for packing. Gold fish can be sent safely long distances by express during the cool months (October to April), and shorter distances during the summer.

CHRISTMAS GREENS

Holly.—Best Delaware holly, prickly leaf, well berried. 15 to 25 cents per pound.

Holly Wreaths.—We make our own wreaths. They are of superior quality. Twelve to 14 inches in diameter, 25 to 35 cents each.

Mistletoe.—First quality 25 to 50 cents per pound.

Evergreen Wreathing (Lycopodium or Ground Pine.)—Ten cents per yard, 3 yards for 25c. Original roll of 20 yards, $1.25.

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Prices on Christmas greens subject to change without notice. Write for definite price about December 10th to 15th.

We are headquarters for cut flowers. Wire us your order.

Seeds

WE handle, in the spring, a full line of vegetable and flower seeds. With twenty years experience as market gardeners, and in that time buying large quantities of seeds for our own use, we have a knowledge of seeds not possessed by dealers who have bought to sell only. We test all of our vegetable and flower seeds before sending them out and in this way are sure of their germinating qualities being of the best.

Seeds will be listed in full in our spring catalogue to be issued February 1, 1903. which will be mailed free on application.

Grass Seed

In the fall is a good time to seed a lawn. After handling the Chicago Parks Lawn Grass Mixture for several years, we can unhesitatingly recommend it as being of the highest quality. It is made up of a mixture of grasses, which, maturing at different times, keep the lawn in good shape the entire season.

Twenty cents per pound, $1.15 per ½ bushel, $2.25 per bushel of 15 pounds.

Blue Grass.—Fancy Kentucky, clean, 15 cents per pound, 90 cents per ½ bushel, $1.65 per bushel of 14 pounds.

White Dutch Clover.—Thirty cents per pound, 2 pounds for 55 cents.

If seeds are wanted by mail add 9 cents per pound for postage.

A good assortment of cut flowers always on hand

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Poultry and Bird Supplies

Rust's Haven's Climax Condition Powder, 13 ounce package	$ .25
Rust's Haven's Climax Condition Powder, 2-pound package	.50
Rust's Egg Producer, 1-pound package	.25
Rust's Egg Producer, 2½-pound package	.50
Rust's Lice Killing Powder, per box	.10
Knox Lice Expelling Nest Egg, each	.10
Crushed Oyster Shells	15 lbs .25c, 50 lbs .60c, 100 lbs .75
Pearl Grits	10 lbs 25c, 50 lbs .70c, 100 lbs 1.25
Poultry bone, ground	10 lbs .55c, 50 lbs $1.50, 100 lbs 2.75
Peerless Bird Seed with Cuttlefish Bone, per pound box	.10
Cuttlefish Bone, per ounce	.05
Bird Gravel, per box	.10

Miscellaneous

Metal emblems, wreaths, crosses, anchors, etc., for placing in cemetery, each	$1 to $5
Cases with glass top, for holding metal designs, rain proof, each	$2 to $3.50
Clara cemetery vases, glass, each	50 cents
Raffia, uncolored, for weaving, per pound	35 cents
Pure bone flour, for house plants, 4-pound package	25 cents

Lawn fertilizer, much more cleanly and tidy than stable manure and free from weed seeds. Use at the rate of 2 to 3 pounds per 100 square feet of old lawn and double the amount when seeding a new lawn, 5 lbs 30c ,10 lbs 50c, 50 lbs $1.60, 100 lbs $2.75, 200 lbs $5.00.

Berry boxes, baskets, crates. We handle this material by the car load during the berry and fruit season. Write us for prices on material either flat or made up.

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